

Harvard, Yale and United States Military Academy Get Two Players Each on The Tribune's All-Eastern Football Eleven for the Season of 1914

Cornell, Navy, Rutgers, Princeton and Dartmouth Also Find Place on Team.

HARD TO PICK AND CHOOSE

Men Selected After Establishing an Honor Roll for the Various Positions.

By Herbert.

Building an all-star football eleven has become a game, and never has it been out in such virulent form as this year. Never, also, let it be said, have opinions differed so widely in the choice of players deserving of recognition. As a rule, the stars of the season stand out so boldly that the critics have found it easy to agree on say six or eight of the leaders, but such was not the case this year. As has been pointed out in The Tribune there is an excuse beyond precedent for arranging one of these mythical teams. This excuse lies in the fact that the majority of those interested in any branch of sport love a ranking and welcome the opportunity for comparison which a ranking gives.

Walter Camp, of Yale, was the father of the All-American team, so far as I can recall, and, as a rule, his selections are accepted as coming closer to an official ranking than those of other critics. Still, the field is wide open, and it has been my pleasure to build an all-Eastern eleven for The Tribune these several years, and so while I am less in sympathy with the idea than heretofore, the task is again taken up with much interest and offered purely as an opinion formed after seeing all the leading eleven in action and a number of the smaller teams.

How the Players Were Chosen.

Of necessity, the men who were particularly prominent in the more important games of the year, that is, when they were supposed to have reached their top form, are the ones to get the call. The purpose has been to pick out the players most valuable to their respective teams and at the same time to pick out the type of players best qualified to meet all the requirements of latter-day football.

As an example of just what this means it may be pointed out that Captain Hogssett and "Red" Louden, the Dartmouth ends, worked more effectively as a pair this year than any two others on any particular team. It happens, however, that neither is chosen, for the reason that neither is just exactly the type of end, particularly in physique, so necessary for the ideal end.

Before going any further, perhaps, it should be emphasized that no effort has been made to pick an All-American team, for the reason that I am in no way familiar with the Western players, of whom, from all accounts, there were a number deserving of a ranking with the best. Further than that, it must be said that while I saw many eleven in action through the short season, not missing a single opportunity, it was impossible to see all, and I regret to say that Colgate, Pittsburg, and Washington and Jefferson were among those I missed. The reason for this regret lies in the fact that all three boasted two or more stars, who deserve greater recognition, perhaps, than I have been able to give them.

Without further preamble, then, The Tribune's All-Eastern team for 1913 follows:

Ends—Merrillat, West Point; Fritz, Cornell; Tackles—Ballin, Princeton; Talbot, Yale; Guards—Brown, Navy; Munn, Cornell; Centers—Martine, Yale; Quarterbacks—Brickley, Harvard; Fullbacks—Mahan, Harvard; Halfbacks—Whitney, Dartmouth; Fullbacks—Brickley, Harvard.

Harvard, which went through the season without a defeat and earned the so-called championship, gets only two men on the all-star eleven. This is a measure of the credit of the Crimson, as showing that team effort rather than individual brilliancy counted largely in the clean string of victories. Yale and West Point get two places each, while Dartmouth, Cornell, Princeton and Annapolis must be satisfied with one each.

An Abundance of Riches.

The abundance of riches made the task more delicate perhaps than ever before. It seems a crying shame to leave such men off the team as Guyon, of the Carlisle Indians, who, according to Glen Warner, was greater even than Jim Thorpe; as O'Brien, the brilliant Harvard end; as Hogssett and Louden, as previously referred to; as Tallman, of Rutgers; as Gilman, of Harvard, a tackle whose playing I particularly admired; as Captain Hobe Baker, of Princeton; as Hudson, of Trinity, a fullback who no doubt would have ranked with the greatest and best if it happened that he had matriculated at Yale or Harvard, and as six or eight others who could be mentioned.

Most of these players are named on the second eleven, but a third and fourth might well be picked which in point of effectiveness and individual skill would rank well up with the first.

As has been the case in the last two

years, this all-star eleven was picked after establishing what may be called an honor roll, which in a measure is far more satisfying than naming eleven players, and thus working a hardship on men who are equally deserving.

Many Stars Among the Ends.

To begin with, players on the honor roll from which the ends were named were reduced to sixteen from a long list and include:

Merrillat and Markoe, West Point; Fritz, O'Hearne and Shelton, Cornell; Captain Gilchrist, Annapolis; Louden and Hogssett, Dartmouth; O'Brien, Harvard; Dana, Harvard; Shea, Princeton; "Red" Brann, Yale; Sefton, Colgate; Wagner, Pittsburg; and Hiltner, Syracuse.

Merrillat and Fritz were picked from this lot of real stars for the reason that both have a value apart from the usual qualifications for end play. I hesitated long between Fritz and Hogssett, the Harvard man, who, in my opinion, has proved himself one of the greatest halfbacks in the history of football. Fritz, however, seemed to be a little bit faster and surer in tackling down the field under punts and was almost quite as useful in the running attack from a halfback position. No ends this year, with the possible exception of the Dartmouth pair, covered kicks with such sureness as did Fritz and Shelton, of Cornell, against Pennsylvania. Their play was almost a revelation, and the argument can hardly be advanced of weak opposition, as few ends are blocked off these days in getting down under punts.

As a defensive end I do not think that O'Hearne, of Cornell, who was injured in the Harvard game, had an equal, while O'Brien, of the Crimson, was not far behind him in this respect, and was conspicuous in practically every game he played for his consistent and at times brilliant work. They are named for the second eleven, as Hogssett, of Dartmouth, is too light for what may be called the standard type.

The Tackles An Even Lot.

The tackles this year were an even lot, and the candidates for recognition far more numerous than usual. The honor roll for this position, in my opinion, should be made up as follows:

Ballin and Phillips, Princeton; Talbot and Warren, Yale; Gilman and Storer, Harvard; Williamson, Cornell; Weyand, West Point; Redman, Annapolis, and this in spite of the fact that he did not get into the original line-up; Brooks and Abel, Colgate; Walker, Williams; Patterson, Washington and Jefferson; Bartlett, Brown; Kimball, Amherst; McAuliffe, Dartmouth; Tooley and Nash, Rutgers; Lookaround, Carlisle, and Probst, Syracuse.

Of these Ballin, of Princeton, and Talbot, of Yale, appeal to me most strongly because of the uniform consistency of their tackling, their speed and sureness in following the ball, their sharpness in charging and their skill in piling up plays or picking out the man with the ball. Williamson, of Cornell, was handicapped with a stiff arm, but was almost as good a tackle with one arm as most of the others with two. Personally, I liked Gilman's general work far better than Captain Storer's, and while I did not see Brooks, of Colgate, who began the season at guard, good judges tell me that he had no equal. Walker, of Williams, too, was close to being a star. Tooley, of Rutgers, was outplayed at West Point, but in that game was suffering from a slight hip injury. In every other game he stood out, and could easily have made any team in the country, and would have been a credit to it, too. Still, two men for the second eleven must be marked.

Ten Centres on Honor Roll.

Out of many centres considered, only ten seemed deserving of a place on the honor roll, as follows:

Martine, Yale; McEwan, Army; Simpson, Pennsylvania; Peterson, Colgate; Crankshank, Washington and Jefferson; Garlow, Carlisle; Eddie Treukman, Princeton; Dunbar, Dartmouth; Soucy, Harvard, and Perry, Navy.

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tin and my choice falls on Brooks and Gilman.

Brown and Tallman, Guards.

Getting to the guards, one finds fewer men worthy of a place on the honor roll, but this is not surprising in view of the fact that much of their good work was lost to the general observer. The list includes:

Brown, Navy; Tallman, Rutgers; Pennock, Harvard; Ketcham, Yale; Munn, Cornell; Beer, Dartmouth; Busch, Carlisle; Gels, Brown; Forsythe, Syracuse; Vaughan, Navy; Hitecock, Harvard; Huston and Jones, Army.

Brown, of the Navy, not only was the most showy guard of the year, but one of the greatest of all time. No doubling up of the Army forwards could check this player or prevent him from stopping any play directed against his position. With his great strength, speed and weight he combined a wonderful charge, and when not busy in the particular neighborhood of the line was ranging about, providing interference, making tackles in the open and getting down the field with his ends. With Brown safely settled at his side of centre, it was hard to pick his running mate between Ketcham, of Yale, and Tallman, of Rutgers. I decided on the last named, for the reason that, in my opinion, he is the best punter I have seen this year, and would lend added strength to the all-star team, not only because of this ability as a kicker, but because of his great value in the running attack when needed.

Tallman is nineteen years old, weighs 265 pounds striped, and can run 90 yards in 19 seconds flat. "He is the fastest big man I ever saw," was the way George Foster Sanford spoke of him early in the season, and the words have been justified in more than one game this year. For all-around ability and individual value to a team he probably has no equal on the gridiron.

Ketcham, of course, who proved himself quite as good a guard as he did a centre in 1912, gets first call for the second eleven, but again it was hard to choose between Pennock, of Harvard, and Munn, of Cornell. Pennock had a harder charge, perhaps, and consequently may have been of more value on the attack, but Munn seemed to have a wider range, and was such a power for good in the Cornell line that I was influenced to give him the preference.

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The Tribune's All-Eastern Football Eleven for 1913

All-Eastern Eleven		Positions	Second Eleven
Fritz, Cornell	Left End Right	O'Brien, Harvard	Brooks, Colgate
Ballin, Princeton	Left Tackle Right	Ketcham, Yale	Ketcham, Yale
Brown, Navy	Left Guard Right	Munn, Cornell	Peterson, Colgate
Martine, Yale	Centre	Gilman, Harvard	Munn, Cornell
Tallman, Rutgers	Right Guard Left	O'Hearne, Cornell	Gilman, Harvard
Talbot, Yale	Right Tackle Left	Wilson, Yale	O'Hearne, Cornell
Merrillat, Army	Right End Left	Guyon, Carlisle	Wilson, Yale
Brickley, Harvard	Left Quarterback	H. Baker, Princeton	Guyon, Carlisle
Mahan, Harvard	Left Halfback Right	Hudson, Trinity	H. Baker, Princeton
Whitney, Dartmouth	Right Halfback Left		Hudson, Trinity
Brickley, Harvard	Fullback		

Recapitulation of colleges represented by players: All-Eastern team—Harvard, 2; Yale, 2; Army, 2; Cornell, 1; Rutgers, 1; Princeton, 1; Dartmouth, 1; Navy, 1. Second eleven—Cornell, 2; Colgate, 2; Yale, 2; Harvard, 2; Carlisle, 1; Princeton, 1; Trinity, 1.

passing for this all important position, as in my opinion he has all those qualities so necessary for the pivotal position. In addition to accuracy in passing, he was fast, aggressive and a keen diagnostician. His range, too, was as broad and deep as the field, and his tackling sure and deadly. I have selected Peterson, of Colgate, for the second eleven on the strength of what good judges tell me of his work this year. Of the others I saw myself McEwan, of the Army, impressed me most favorably, and it will be a surprise if he does not earn the highest honors with more experience next year. He was a first-year man at the Military Academy, which made his play the more remarkable.

Army Man Picked for Quarter.

Having disposed of the forwards, the all important position of quarterback looms up. The honor roll includes:

Pritchard, Army; Wilson, Yale; Nicholls, Navy; Logan, Harvard; Huntington, Colgate; Miller, Pennsylvania State; Spigel, Washington and Jefferson; Barrett, Cornell; Costello, Georgetown; Welch, Carlisle; Gillick, Princeton; Ghee and Llewellyn, Dartmouth; Cornish, Yale, and Dietjen, Wesleyan.

To single out one man from this list of brilliant generals and clever runners in a broken field has been no easy task, but the honor falls on Pritchard, not only because he ran his team in the game against the Navy without what might be called a single error of judgment, but because he combines with his other good qualities the ability to shoot a forward pass for distances up to thirty yards with the ac-

Second Team Not Far Behind the First in Possibilities for an Effective Machine.

RECOGNITION FOR COLGATE

Brooks and Peterson Get the Call Over Stars of Some of the Larger Colleges.

ney, of Dartmouth, because of his line plunging and always consistent work in the secondary line of defence. Guyon, of Carlisle, had few equals, and must be ranked with the great backs of all times. But there was room for only three, and I was too much impressed with Whitney's play to leave him off. The newly elected Dartmouth captain had the faculty of shooting into an opening anywhere between tackle and tackle with the power and drive of a catapult. It seemed almost impossible to stop him under a yard or two, which makes him a mighty useful man to have on any team.

The backs for the second eleven are practically the equal of the first string. Guyon, of Carlisle; Hudson, of Trinity, and Hobe Baker, of Princeton, are the three preferred. Hudson has kept Trinity on the football map for three years, and deserves a place with the greatest and best. Hobe Baker did not shine this season as in other years, due partly to the fact that a muddy field hampered his work in two of the more important games, while the duties of captain seemed to sit heavily on his shoulders. Still he is one of the best men in a broken field ever developed and a reasonably sure drop kicker, although below the standard set by Brickley. Minds, of Pennsylvania, a marvel until he injured his shoulder, and Dunn, of Dickinson, must be ranked high.

Best Punters of the Year.

The best punters of the year in my opinion were Tallman, of Rutgers; Curtis, of Dartmouth; Barrett, of Cornell; Mahan, of Harvard, and Law, of Princeton.

Summing up, it may be said that the All-Eastern eleven is wonderfully equipped with everything needed to make for offensive and defensive strength. It has in Brickley the best drop kicker perhaps of all time in "Babe" Brown, a man who has developed goal kicking from placement to a fine art; in Tallman and Mahan punters of the highest class. It has men in the line who know how to charge, how to block, how to tackle, how to make openings and how to provide interference, and two men also in Fritz and Tallman who could be brought back and used in the running attack to great advantage. It has a quarterback, who can make the most of the forward pass and who is not lacking in strategy and keen judgment. It has three backs armed with the necessary weapons for any kind of an attack, whether directed from tackle to tackle or around the ends, and two men in Mahan and Pritchard, who have no equals, perhaps, in handling punts and running the ball back. Moreover, it has in Brickley one of the best defensive players I have ever seen in breaking up an opponent's forward pass, and in Whitney a player whose work on the secondary line of defence is deadly and sure.

Altogether the team is made up of stars, but so well balanced and so well fortified that it would require little work to weld it into a football machine of almost unequalled power.

AMHERST FAILS TO ELECT Deadlock Unbroken for Football Captaincy.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.] Amherst, Mass., Dec. 6.—The fourteen men on the Amherst football squad who received their "A" for the season failed on two ballots to elect a captain today for next year's team. The "A" men met this afternoon and twice Webster H. Warren and Newton Kimball each received seven votes.

Warren and Kimball are both juniors and are capable leaders. Warren prepared at Riverdale Academy. He made the varsity team as the regular left halfback in his sophomore year. Kimball entered Amherst from Orange High School, Orange, Mass., and in his sophomore year he made the squad as a substitute end.

In view of the fact that the tie will not be broken by the fourteen voters, the student council may make eligible to cast a vote either the two managers of the team or the three "A" men in college who were forced to leave the squad on account of injuries.

The men to whom were awarded the football "A" were Captain W. H. McGay, S. D. Chamberlain, S. H. Hubbard, L. Shumway and R. N. Kimball. H. Swasey, N. Kimball, W. H. Warren, T. Cross, C. Shumway, J. Lind, P. Whitten, S. Rider and W. Washburn.

